

HALLOWEEN SPIRITS TO HOLD SWAY TONIGHT

Will Foretell the Future for
the Trusting.

MANY METHODS TESTED

The Magic Cake, the Apple Paring, the
Chestnuts, and the Mirror in
the Garret.

"Twine, twine and intertwine,
Let my love be wholly mine.
If his heart be true and true,
Deeper grows his love to me."

The pretty young girl and the maid-
en of an uncertain age will repair to
the privacy of her room tonight hold-
ing in her hands two roses with long
stems, one of which she names for her-
self, the other for "him," there to twine
the stems together, repeating as she
does so, these magic lines:

Tomorrow is All Saints' Day.
Tonight Halloween.

Halloween is observed after a fashion
throughout the United States, but most
of the unique customs of the earlier days
are passed over by the general public.

Of all the nights in the year Halloween
is believed by the superstitious and the
sentimental to be the one during which
supernatural influences hold sway. The
spirits of the dead, together with
witches, elves, and what not, are sup-
posed to wander through the land. Chil-
dren born on Halloween are supposed
to possess the power of preserving
through their youth the power to con-
verse with the supernatural visitors.
Often, however, the airy visitants re-
veal themselves to common everyday
people, in order to deliver a warning
or a piece of advice. These visitors
are always looked for on Halloween, for
there is always a chance that the name
of the future husband or wife can be
learned through this channel, hence the
number of games and experiments
scheduled for this most important eve-
ning.

Old English Custom.

A curious old English custom for
celebrating Halloween is to build a
bonfire on rising ground. When the fire
has burned out the ashes are raked off
in the form of a circle, which is edged
by stones. Each member of every fam-
ily interested places a stone in the cir-
cle. Should one of the stones be broken
or moved by the next morning the per-
son represented by that stone is doom-
ed to die within a year.

The Irish celebrate by holding magic
ceremonies around these fires. This is
done to counteract the effect of witches
and demons and to enable the younger
members of the family to forecast their
future success or disappointment in the
matrimonial market. There is a general
feasting afterward. Nuts and apples are
eaten in large quantities. After the nuts
and apples are eaten the nuts and ap-
ples are burned and the ashes are
scattered over the heads of the family.
Every maiden sows seed with the
firm belief that if she looks backward
she will surely see the apparition of the
man she is to marry.

While these superstitious practices are
the relics of Druidism, they are almost
as popular in some circles today as they
were with the Irish maidens many years
ago. They may be begun in a jesting
way, "just for the fun of the thing," and
the participants may affect not to be-
lieve in the consequences, but under the
merry exterior there is a half hope that
after all "there may be just a little in it."

Halloween Parties Tonight.

Halloween parties have been arranged
in many homes in Washington for to-
night. Throughout the day many pretty
girls will be rushing around to the shops
providing lead to melt, nuts, nut rind,
material for making cake, and a ring,
thimble, raisins, key and wheel to put
on the inside of it. Then also there must
be apples and twine in plenty, for there
are any number of attractive and inter-
esting games that may be played, half
in jest, half seriously, on this night of
all nights for the girl who would know
who is to pay her board bill for the rest
of her natural life.

With the coming of darkness, the
lights turned low, one of the most in-
teresting experiments is for each girl to
secure a nice large apple (be sure you get
a "winesap," no other kind will tell
the truth), pare it carefully so that the
skin will come off as a whole, hold the
paring by one end and swing it over the
left shoulder (be sure of the left
shoulder), and then let it drop. Any girl
that cannot see the initial of "his" name
in her peeling must be blind. The others
may not see it, but apple parings on
Halloween are really very considerate.

Chestnut Good Omens.

Next may be tried the experiment of
the nuts. Let each girl place a chest-
nut in the fire, each watching her own
very carefully. It is very rarely the
case that more than one or two will
stay in the fire long enough to burn to a
crisp. Those that do so are signs of
good omen.

It takes seven girls to mix the Hallow-
een cake. It is called a dumb cake, and
while it is being made not one of the
girls must speak so much as a syllable.
Mix flour and water to a stiff dough,
then let each girl in turn take a hatpin
and prick her initials into the top. Let
it bake for ten minutes. In the mean-
time not a syllable must be uttered.
When it is done some of the initials
will show very plainly. Those that do
not will indicate that the girls are to be
married within the year.

Have you ever tried to bite an apple
while it was suspended from a string?
Try it tonight. If you are successful you
will be lucky in your love affairs. Stick
a needle into an apple and if it goes
through one of the seeds your wish will
be granted. When you have gotten the
seed with the needle stuck through it
cut out all the rest, name them, and
stick them on your lips. The one that
remains the longest is the one you are
sure to marry.

This next charm is rather nerve-rack-
ing for a girl, but it has always been
found to be an effective one. Take a
lighted candle and go alone into the
darkest room in the garret. Then look
into a mirror. If there is not one in
the room carry a hand glass. By the
flickering light of the candle one can
be sure of seeing the future husband
peering into the glass over her shoulder.
W. H. F. R.

MR. GORMAN PREDICTS DEMOCRATIC VICTORY

Maryland's Next Senator Thinks Republicans Will Lose
House by Twenty or Thirty Majority.

LAUREL, Md., Oct. 31.—Senator Ar-
thur Pue Gorman discussed at length
the present political situation, at his
farm, near here, yesterday.

Mr. Gorman said:

"I believe that the next House of Rep-
resentatives will be Democratic by from
twenty to thirty majority. This is a
somewhat off-hand opinion, as I have
not made any examination into details.
"It is true that the increase in the
membership of the House and the way
the country has been distracted since
the census makes Democratic success
far more difficult. But it is my sincere
belief that the party will overcome this
obstacle and win the election. The
trend of sentiment throughout the land
is toward the Democratic party. Con-
servative men are looking to the Dem-
ocrats to curb the excesses of the party
in power."

No Advantage in Defeat.

"Do you think it would aid the Dem-
ocrats in the Presidential campaign to be
defeated at this election?" Mr. Gorman
was asked.

"That proposition is too absurd to ad-
mit of any discussion," he replied. "Mr.
Cleveland has stated the case accurately
when he said that a political contest
must be continual and all along the line.
It does not benefit a party to be beaten."
"Then you think it is the duty of
Maryland Democrats to go to the polls
next Tuesday and vote the Democratic
ticket?"

"I say that with all the emphasis I
can."

Explains His Absence.

"Your absence from the Democratic
meeting at Music Hall, Baltimore, Mon-
day evening caused some remark," was
suggested.

"For personal reasons," the Senator
replied, "I have attended no meetings
during the campaign. I have been in
communication with the party commit-
tees and have aided in an advisory way
all that I could. But I have felt it to be
necessary to take what leisure I can to
build up my health. The young men are
conducting the campaign and they are
doing it very well."

"There is political apathy in Maryland
at this time, but no more than usual, I
think, when no candidates but Congress-
men are in the field. Perhaps the Rep-
ublicans are somewhat more apathetic
than usual and I think a majority of the
stay-at-home vote will be of that party.
"I feel deeply interested in the suc-
cess of the Democratic party in Mary-
land, as I always do. I think the wel-
fare of the country demands Democratic
success, and I hope every Democrat will
perform his duty by going to the polls
next Tuesday and voting for the candi-
date of his party."

Cleveland's Part.

Speaking of ex-President Cleveland,
Mr. Gorman said that his recent uter-
ances and his consent to make a speech
in favor of the Democratic party had
given much satisfaction throughout the
country, and many thousands who have
been hostile to the ex-President during
recent years will now forget their hos-
tility in welcoming his support.

Returning to national politics, Mr.
Gorman said that the Republican party
is not happy in its internal affairs. It
has been relying for a number of years
upon campaign funds to carry elections.
This year it seems that the contribu-
tions have not been as generous as
usual, and the managers in consequence
are somewhat at a loss.

The safe, conservative element of the
country, he said, is looking toward the
Democratic party to curb the excesses of
the Republican party, which has had no
curb for some years. The time has come
for a halt.

The Issues of 1904.

"What will be the issues in the Pres-
idential campaign of 1904?" the Sen-
ator replied. "These are the living ques-
tions. The free silver issue has been
lost to sight. When it arose the country
was suffering from a scarcity of cur-
rency which caused real distress. That
scarcity has been supplied by the enor-
mous production of gold since 1896, and
we hear no more about the free coinage
of silver."

"The proper way to deal with the
trusts is a difficult problem to solve. But

it can be solved. As to the President's
plan to have the Constitution amended,
of course, there is nothing in that. But
a law can be framed which will accom-
plish the result that the people want."

As to Candidates.

"Where will the candidates for Pres-
ident come from, Senator?"

"I suppose," he replied, "that if the
convention were held now there would be
no doubt of President Roosevelt's nomi-
nation. But it is never safe in politics
to prophesy two years ahead, so many
things may happen in that time. It
looks now, of course, as if Mr. Roosevelt
would be the Republican nominee."

"Who the Democratic nominee will be
it is too early even to make a guess."

"Your own name, Senator, has been
mentioned in that connection."

"I have not given that idea a
thought," he replied, "and that is all he
would say about it."

Mr. Gorman said that he had been
watching with great interest the cam-
paigns in New York and Pennsylvania.
Mr. Patterson, he said, is such a phenom-
enal man that he may win in Pennsylv-
ania. He has beaten the Republican
party in that State twice and he may do
it again.

Mr. Gorman will begin four months
from now his fourth term in the Senate
of the United States. He first went in,
in 1881, as a very young man for a Sen-
ator—only forty-two years of age. He
goes back now with the experience of
over twenty years added, after an ab-
sence of four years. He will find many
changes in the personnel of the body of
which he was so influential a member.
Whether he will be treated as a new
member in committee assignments re-
mains to be seen, but he will doubtless
resume his old place in the leadership
of his own party.

Since his re-election last winter Mr.
Gorman has been leading a quiet life and
taking care of his health. This he has
done with so much success that at this
time he is looking remarkably vigorous.

A FAMOUS FRENCH PRISON.

Gloomy St. Lazare Will Soon Disappear
From View.

Golden Penny.

Paris, like London, is losing a fam-
iliar and gloomy landmark. This is the
St. Lazare prison, in the Rue du Fau-
bourg Saint Denis, and with it will dis-
appear one of the oldest buildings in
Paris. It was founded about the end of
the eleventh century, and was first used
as a hospital for lepers. About 1832,
leprosy having almost completely dis-
appeared from France, the prior of the
canons of Saint Victor, who owned the
building, handed it over to St. Vincent
de Paul. It was here that that famous
monk died. The room in which he
breathed his last was transformed into
a chapel, and is today the oratory of
the Sisters of Mary and Joseph, who
look after the prisoners.

During the early days of the revolu-
tion the convent was sacked by the mob.
Three years later, during the Terror, it
was first used as a prison and was one
of the ante-chambers of the guillotine.
Andre Chenier spent the last days of
his life here. The consulate first estab-
lished the St. Lazare prison as a
prison for women; a use to which it has
been devoted ever since. There is only
one escape on record, that of an Eng-
lish woman named Kate Plee. She was
first imprisoned for six months for com-
plicity in the robbery of a jeweler's
shop in the Palais Royal. When her
sentence expired she was expelled from
France.

She returned in 1873 and was again
arrested for theft and sentenced for a
long period of imprisonment. One day
about 4 o'clock it was noticed that Kate
Plee had disappeared. The prison was
searched from top to bottom and finally
her prison dress was discovered in a
wooden box. It transpired that she had
by some means or another obtained pos-
session of a nun's dress, and, thus dis-
guised, had managed to make her way
to the street. How she managed to get
past the various gates and iron gratings,
which are kept locked night and day, is
a mystery that was never explained. In
1879 there was a woman confined at St.
Lazare who was known as the "dye-
enne." She was then ninety-nine years
of age and had been arrested 118 times.
Another prisoner, who died there some
years ago, was born on the 9th Ther-
midor of the year 10 of the first Repub-
lic.

LONG DISPUTE OVER GUN CARRIAGE ENDED

Ordnance Board Finally
Reaches an Agreement.

The Board of Ordnance and Fortifica-
tions at a recent meeting decided to re-
commend to the Secretary of War that 6-
inch coast defense guns, as well as those
of larger caliber, be mounted on the
Buffington-Crozier disappearing gun car-
riage. This recommendation has just
been approved by Secretary Root.

For the past two years there has been
a dispute between ordnance officers of
the army in regard to the usefulness of
the disappearing gun carriage. As a re-
sult of this internal disagreement Con-
gress at its last session authorized the
appointment of a special board to look
into the question. As published several
weeks ago, this board recommended that
the disappearing carriage be used to-
gether with the barbette carriage for
mounting guns above six inches in cal-
iber. It was thought by the board that
inasmuch as 3-inch guns are of the
rapid firing type it would be better to
mount them "en barbette."

The Board of Ordnance and Fortifica-
tions of which General Gillespie is acting
president in the absence of General
Miles, in recommending that 6-inch
guns be mounted on the disappearing
carriages, took into consideration the
fact that this type of gun is now con-
sidered as a part of the main battery of
a seacoast fortification and that by
mounting it on the disappearing car-
riage the speed in firing would be but
slightly lessened.

TANGLEWOOD CLUB WINS.

The football game between the Tangle-
wood Athletic Club and Emerson In-
stitute teams, at Van Ness Park, yester-
day, resulted in a victory for the former
by a score of 5 to 0.

HE PRAYED FOR RAIN.

New York Tribune.

A writer on some quaint customs of
the colored people of Virginia in the
"Richmond Religious Herald," relates
that on one occasion the people all
begged the old preacher to appoint a
day of fasting and prayer for rain, which
he did. At the appointed time the house
was crowded with people, all anxious for
rain. After reading a chapter in the
Bible, the good old brother prayed as
follows: "O Lord, Thou dost see our sad
condition! Our streams are dried up!
Our grass is parched up! Our crops are
withering! O Lord, we need rain! Yet
the heavens seem like brass and the earth
like iron. We beg and beseech
Thee, O Lord, to send us rain! But
don't want a mizlin', drizzlin' rain; for
that would not wet our ground. And we
don't want a dashing, splashing rain
neither; for that would wash our hills-
ides away. But, O Lord, do give us an
old-fashioned, steady ground soaker.
That the earth may bring forth food for
man and beast and Brother Doublehead
Bob Burton's pond may fill up, and his
mill may be able to crush the corn and
he may make a few more runs of his still
for the benefit of the brethren."

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WEALTHY FARMER HAD PRESENTIMENT OF DEATH

J. L. Whiteman Settled His
Affairs and Expired.

WINCHESTER, Va., Oct. 31.—If ever a
man had a presentiment of his ap-
proaching death while enjoying appar-
ently good health, that man was John
L. Whiteman, a wealthy resident of the
county, living on the famous Hackwoods
farm, two miles northeast of Winches-
ter.

Mr. Whiteman came to Winchester
Wednesday and settled up all his busi-
ness affairs. Going home that night he
gave to his wife all of his important
papers and told her he was going to die.
He was apparently in the best of health
when he retired and yesterday morning
at 10 o'clock he was a corpse.

Mr. Whiteman was a wealthy man,
and was a native of Lynchburg, Va.
Death was due to cerebral hemorrhage.
At 5 o'clock yesterday morning his wife
was awakened by his choking gasps, and
a physician was at once summoned, but
he continued to grow worse until death
came. For twenty-six years he was en-
gaged in business in Knoxville, Tenn.
He was a father-in-law of Gen. Charles
Thurman.

A TIP IN A SERMON.

Whole Congregation Vanished When
Priest Mentioned Certain Numbers.

London Telegraph.

On August 29, dedicated to St. John
the Baptist, an ancient festival takes
place in the outskirts of Vienna at
Brunnweide, where St. Agnes is popu-
larly believed to have appeared. Al-
though the pilgrimages to these mead-
ows are sternly forbidden by the clergy,
the crowds increase every year. This
year the Brunn will draw greater num-
bers, as the 29th is also the 150th anni-
versary of the Small Lottery, so dear to
the hearts of the people and so bound up
with superstition and family neglect.

This lottery, with its ninety members,
was the discovery of the famous mathe-
matician, Lorenzo Tonti, of Genoa, in
the seventeenth century, and was first
allowed in Austria by the Empress Ma-
ria Theresa, when, suffering from finan-
cial embarrassments, she received for
the concession 200,000 florins, a large
sum in those days. Only Austria and
Italy now retain this so-called lotto.

The women, seized with a passion for
this speculation, wait hours daily in the
street to see the numbers appear, or
spend a great part of the day in the
churches praying for success. The well-
known Father Loritz preached in the
90's and 70's a violent crusade against
such gambling and its attendant evils.
An odd incident once occurred when he
was preaching. He said: "If you women
only hear such numbers as 28, 65, 92,
you all leave to go and take them." To
his astonishment within five minutes his
hearers had all vanished in order to ob-
tain these supposed lucky numbers.
Since the time of Father Loritz no ac-
tive measures have been taken by the
Church.

CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT OF ST. PETERSBURG

Right of Electing Mayor Ta-
ken From City Council.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 31.—It is re-
ported that the government intends to
deprive the city council of the right of
electing a mayor, and to substitute a
government official with extensive pow-
ers for a representative head of the
city.

The "Novoe Vremya" protests strong-
ly against such action. It points out
that the capital has had an elective chief
since the days of Catherine II. The
paper says that to withdraw this right
conferred long ago, would be to disre-
gard the unanimous wishes of the citi-
zens and would be calculated to create
a feeling of insincerity and discourage
people from taking an interest in munici-
pal affairs.

The paper predicts that the appoint-
ment of an official city head would lead
to endless bickerings between the nomi-
nee of the government and the council,
which is elected by the citizens. The
dispatch adds that the whole question
of the municipal organization is at present
under discussion.

The city council at present is elected
on a narrow franchise, which is con-
fined to leading merchants, business
men, and large owners of real estate.
There has been hitherto constant in-
terference with the city administration
by the minister of the interior.

It is now believed to be the govern-
ment's intention to transform the mu-
nicipality into what will be practically
a department of the ministry of the in-
terior.

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salve, wash or powder being used in the
hope of drying them up and stopping
the discharge; but while the place may
temporarily scab over, it again inflames
and festers, becoming as bad or worse
than ever. After awhile the deadly poi-
son begins to eat into the surrounding
flesh and the sore spreads with frightful
rapidity. Then the sharp shooting
pains, which distinguish the cancerous
from the common ulcer, are felt, and the
unfortunate patient is brought face to
face with the most dreaded of all
maladies, a cancerous ulcer.

Whenever an ulcer of any kind is slow
in healing it should be closely watched,
particularly if there is an inherited pre-
disposition to cancer. Often times a
malignant, cancerous ulcer starts from a
boil, wart, mole, bruise, blister or pim-
ple, for when the blood is tainted and
the germs and seeds of cancer are im-
planted in the system, you cannot tell
when or where the deadly poison is
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matter that keeps the ulcer irritated
and discharging—purifies and strength-
ens the blood, enabling it to throw off
the germs and poisons, thus check-
ing the further
formation of cancer
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